

REMARKS

The Specification has been amended herein to correct typographical errors. No new matter has been introduced.

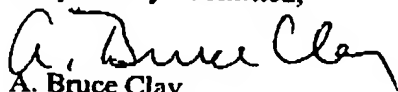
The Examiner has stated that Claims 1 – 23 are allowable over the cited prior art references.

Claims 24 – 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner states that Claim 24 was rejected because it recites a program encoded in the computer readable modulated carrier signal but there is no memory and the carrier signal is not embedded in the memory and is, therefore, non-statutory subject matter. Additionally, the Examiner states that there is no memory in Claim 31, and the program is not embedded in the memory and is, thus non-statutory subject matter.

Independent Claims 24 and 31 have been amended to indicate the computer system has memory upon which the encoded program is embedded. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 24 and 31, as amended, contain statutory subject matter. Since dependent Claims 25 – 30 now depend from an allowable independent Claims 24, they are also allowable.

Applicants have made a sincere effort to place this application in condition for allowance. No additional fee is seen to be required; however, in the event an additional fee is required, please charge that fee to deposit account number 09-0461.

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